

months all those cases are settled and those that are responsible for delay will be dealt with and their explanations have already been called for.

### Co-operative Societies in Muchandi Village

645. SRI B. B. SAYANAK (Belgaum).—Will the Minister for Co-operation be pleased to state :—

(a) whether it is a fact that there are two Co-operative Societies in Muchandi Village in Belgaum Taluk ;

(b) whether it is a fact that these societies had not lifted ration of sugar for being supplied to the village for three to four months last year ;

(c) whether it is a fact that the ration sugar was sold by the above said society in Belgaum Market ;

(d) if so, the action taken by the Government in this regard ?

SRI K. H. RANGANATH (Minister for Co-operation).—

(a) Yes.

(b) No.

(c) No.

(d) Does not arise.

SRI B. B. SAYANAK —May I know whether the Assistant Registrar had visited this Muchkhandi village and made an inquiry regarding the sugar ?

† SRI K. H. RANGANATH.—I do not have that information with me.

SRI B. B. SAYANAK.—Whether it is a fact that on the 29th of last month there was a meeting in the Divisional Commissioner's office and at that meeting the Assistant Registrar has admitted that the sugar was sold in the Belgaum market ?

SRI K. H. RANGATH.—I do not know what has transpired in the meeting which the Hon'ble Member referred to. But with regard to the allegation that the sugar has been sold in Belgaum market, that is totally false.

SRI B. B. SAYANAK.—If it is proved that these societies have sold the sugar in the Belgaum market, what action the Government would take against these two societies ?

SRI K. H. RANGANATH —If the hon'ble. member were to substantiate it, then the Government will look into the matter.